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私の大好きな季節であるこの時にこうして第一巻を出すことが出来て、とっても嬉しいです。
新しく始まる、というのはやっぱりどんな事でもワクワクしますね。
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This is where everything began... The new serialization's prologue!

Read from here before you start reading chapter1!!

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My notebook has been left blank since that day... This is the story I didn't write down
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SAKISAKA IO

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GREETINGS

Hello! This is Sakisaka Io. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for choosing to pick up "Aoharaido" volume 1. There are probably a lot of new readers among you, and I'm very happy to meet you!

I feel strangely nervous at the start of a new serialization, but as I can't do anything about it, I want to focus as much as possible on the part that feels more like excitement. At least I desperately tell myself to.

Even I don't know everything about the characters in this story yet, so I think it'll be fun to see what choices they'll make and how they'll change through various experiences as I draw them. I hope you'll all support me! So, here begins "Aoharaido" volume 1. Please keep me company until the end!

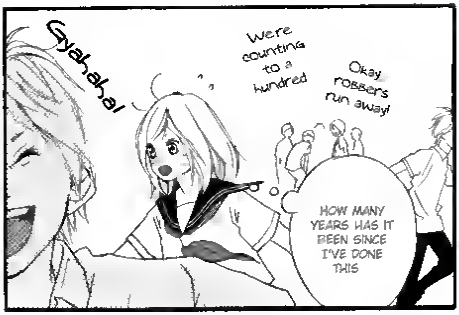
Sakisaka Io

I dislike boys.
More and more, after middle school started.
I CAN'T STAND THEM...
I mean, they're violent,
Gyahaha
Ow!
Saaay!
and noisy,
Cooking
JUMP
and uncivilized in general.
But,
in their midst...

He has a small build,
and his voice, rather than low and rough,
is clear and smooth, like a girl's.
I guess that's why.
...is Tanaka-kun, from the neighbouring class.
He's different somehow.

OH.
Rock, paper, scissors!
I'm okay with him.
NAITOU!
WHAT'RE YOU DOING?
I know right?
That's so elementary school!
Tanaka -kun's here.
COPS AND ROBBERS
We're splitting into teams
COPS AND ROBBERS?!
AH.
I WANT TO JOIN!
HUUH, REALLY?

Eeh
Are you serious?
I kind of think...
they're still smiling.
What should we do?
Huuh..?
They're all going, "huuuh?" but
Yumi-chan likes Naitou-kun
EVERYONE COME ON!
What do you think Futaba?
...playing with the boys sounds a bit...
THUMP
Our eyes met.
I DON'T REALLY MIND...



Rock, paper, scissors!

NOW'S NOT GOOD
THE COPS ARE HERE
OH, TRUE
Thanks.
Tanaka -kun is
YEAH
pretty strong...
Sur-prising
WOAH.
DANGE-ROUS.
Ah. The nape of his neck is cute
The bones in his arm are really prominent...

Waah.
CLOSE. I WAS ALMOST SEEN JUST NOW
and just a bit of sweat...
HE SMELLS OF SHAMPOO
I wonder if this is what all boys smell like...

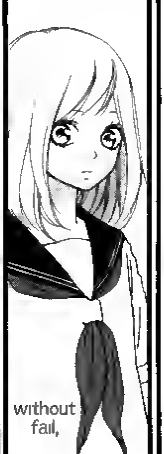
What do I do? If Tanaka-kun has ESP, and knows what I was thinking just now... I'm sorry, I'll stop thinking weird things! A-I-U-E-O.
Thoughts for him to read in case he really has ESP
GULP
...
HEY DOESN'T IT LOOK LIKE THERE'S SOMEONE OVER THERE?
I'M GOING TO CHECK.
!
RUSTLE
STAY HERE
AH! I THOUGHT SO!!
Get him!

Surround him over there!
Caught!
Uwah
HE GOT CAUGHT
FOR MY SAKE
I HAVE TO HELP HIM
OKAY!
If an ally touches him,
he can break out...
Tanaka-kun.
Wait for me,
PRISON
PRISON
Soon,
I will...

...
...
What do you talk about in this kind of situation?
I WAS TRYING TO HELP YOU...
The shape of the nape of his neck..
Or maybe he doesn't want to talk to me..
THANKS
UM
AH
PRISON
...really is cute.
YEAH

HAPPY...
I WAS PRETTY
NO, VERY...
Tanaka-kun is
WHEN YOU CAME RUNNING FOR ME...
different from the other boys.
I'm totally okay with him.
I don't dislike him at all.
YEAH
YEAH
AH, MY VOICE TREMBLED
YEAH
What did we have next, again?
Uhm Mirth?
Bwa ha ha!
After that...
Shut up!

we'll look away once,

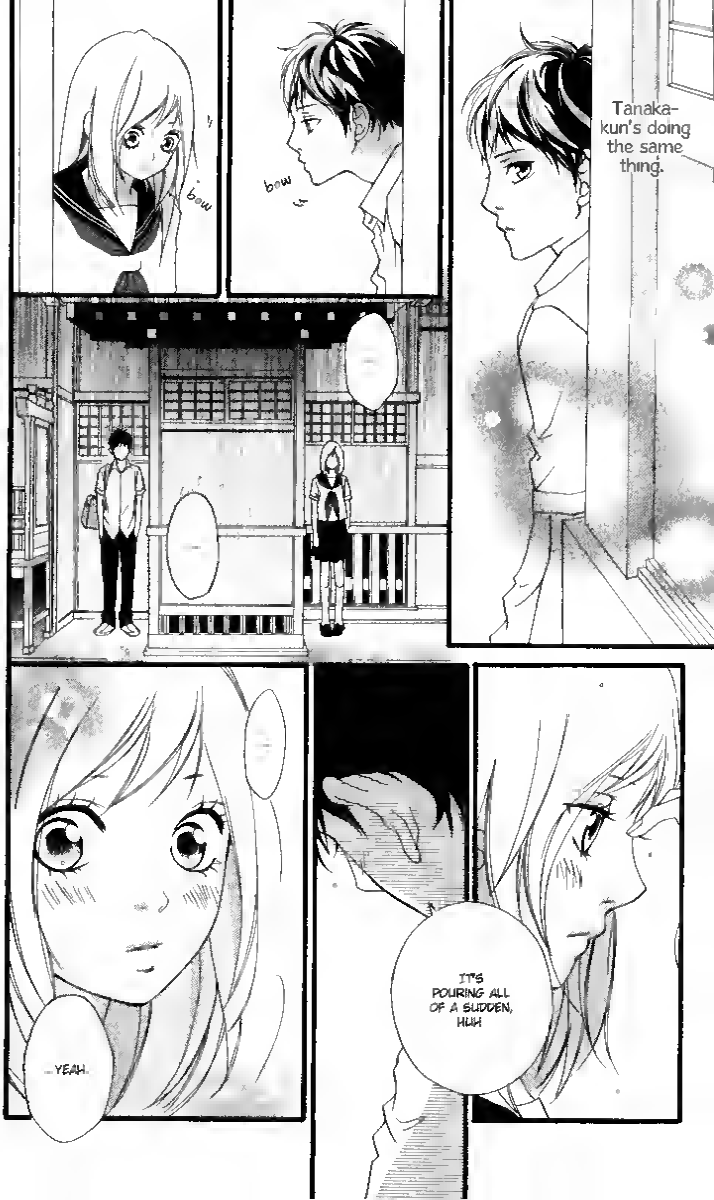

without fail,

whenever our eyes meet,

and then...

...our eyes will meet again.

SEE YOU!
BYE BYE.
drip
RAIN...
WAAH...
Ah.
I'LL TAKE SHELTER HERE FOR A BIT
crunch


bow
bow
Tanaka-kun's doing the same thing.
IT'S POURING ALL OF A SUDDEN, HUH
...YEAH.

I don't dislike Tanaka-kun
but I still feel kind of nervous...
Aaah... I could have come up with a better reply than "yeah"...
FAIL
Why...?
It's kind of...
Blush
...as if I like...
Wait! No way. Me?! It can't be!
I mean, how embarrassing!
I need to start some kind of conversation. This is too awkward!
ARE YOU GOING TO THE FESTIVAL?!
Summer Festival
OH

Blush
DID THAT SOUND LIKE AN INVITATION?!
HOW HUMILIATING!
I WONDER IF YUMI-CHAN IS GOING...
I'LL HAVE TO ASK HER...
HUH...?
YOU CAN USE THIS, IF YOU WANT
UH
Embarr-assing.
I'm being lame
I wonder what he thought I meant

?
GYM CLOTHES?
USE IT TO WIPE DRY WITH, SO YOU DON'T CATCH A COLD
MORE THAN ONCE
DON'T WORRY, I HAVEN'T USED THAT ONE
UWAH!
Then you have used it!
Haha!
That's quite..
WHATEVER, I'LL USE IT
I guess.
Quite a... mischievous laugh..

what face he's making right now...
THANK YOU
I wonder
MM...
USE IT
I wonder
whether Tanaka-kun also
Maybe..?
1-3
HERE
..Or maybe not..

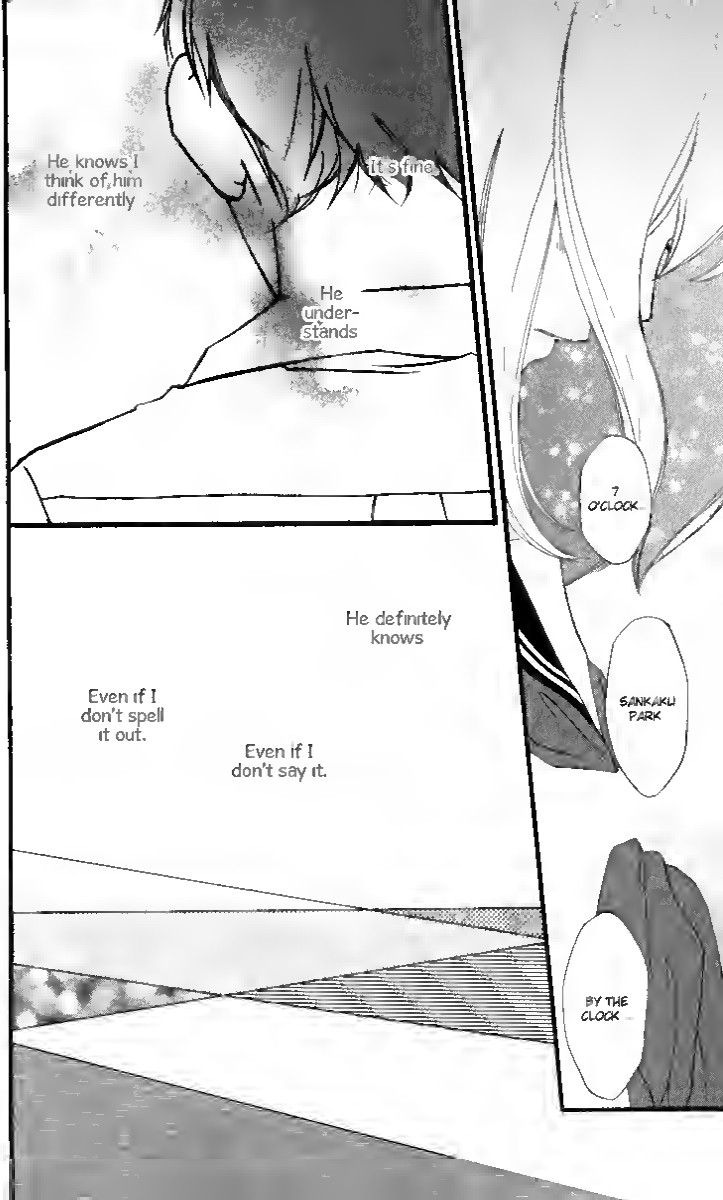
THEN...
THE SUMMER FESTIVAL
ARE YOU GOING?
YOUR GYM CLOTHES
THANKS
YEAH
HUH?
UM NOT YE-
7 O'CLOCK
DID YOU ALREADY MAKE PLANS WITH YOUR FRIENDS?

IN SHINKAKU PARK,
BY THE CLOCK.
..Uh, what?
That..
Was that an invitation...
to go together...
I wonder?
Maybe not
UH UHM.
OOOH?!
WHAT'RE YOU TWO DOING, JUST THE TWO OF YOU?
SHE JUST RETURNED SOMETHING
OH, THAT SO? HUH

Ugh... I really don't like boys.
SAY, YOU TWO
WAS THAT REALLY ALL?
TELL ME!
Tanaka-kun is the only one I'm okay with.
C'MON...
Tanaka-kun only.
STOP IT ALREADY, YOU'RE ANNOYING
THIS IS EXACTLY WHY I DON'T LIKE BOYS.
As for the rest, I dislike them all.
HEY...
Or what?
Did we just make plans..?

I REALLY HATE BOYS!!
YOU ACT LIKE IDIOTS!
Ah.
Did he hear that just now?
But, he knows that he's "different" right?
It's all right I mean, our eyes have been...

...meeting all the time
won't look me in the eyes anymore.
7 O'CLOCK
SANKAKU PARK, BY THE CLOCK
Tanaka-kun


He knows I think of him differently
It's fine.
He understands
7 O'CLOCK
SANKAKU PARK
BY THE CLOCK
He definitely knows
Even if I don't spell it out.
Even if I don't say it.

MAYBE HE HATES ME
IN THE FIRST PLACE,
MAYBE HE MISUNDERSTOOD AFTER ALL
MAYBE HE
NEVER INVITED ME
"7 o'clock Sankaku Park, by the clock"

Maybe that

wasn't a plan for us to meet, or anything like that.

After thinking like this for a while,

I felt like finding out for sure what he'd really meant,

and the only thing on my mind was how nice it would be if the summer holiday would end soon.

I waited impatiently ..

HUH?!

HUUUH? TANAKA TRANS-FERRED?
NO ONE KNOWS HIS NEW ADDRESS? FOR REAL?
DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?
TANAKA TRANS-FERRED?!
WHAT, NO ONE'S HEARD ABOUT THAT AT ALL!
HE MOVED OVER THE HOLIDAYS?!
By the start of the second semester,
TANAKA-KUN WAS THAT SHORT ONE, RIGHT?
Tanaka-kun had disappeared.

AH
drip
drip

AGAIN
WAAAH
OF COURSE HE WOULDN'T BE THERE NOW...
FUFUFU

I'M COMING UP WITH SOMETHING BETTER NEXT TIME.
"YEAH."
...NOT JUST,
It's pouring all of a sudden, huh.
Haha!
Next time...

I liked Tanaka-kun
...uuu
...uuu
It was vague,
and fumbling, but...
I liked him.
When will that be?
Will I never see him again?
I WANT TO MEET HIM RIGHT NOW...

But,
nothing ever even started.
Nothing at all.

Tanaka-kun.
Tanaka kun, right now,
what face are you making?

I was asked pretty immediately in letters and on Twitter and such, what the meaning of the title 'Aoharaido" is. I thought I'd answer here.

[youth]
Aoharaido = 青春 + Ride

The kanji are not read as "Seishun", but as "Ao Haru", and with the idea that everyone rides through their youth giving life their best effort, I attached "Ride" to it. When I tried saying it out loud, I found "Aoharaido" easier to say than "Ao Haru Ride", so the title became what it is now.

While drawing this I often start remembering my own time in high school, thinking stuff like, "why couldn't I have done better back then?", though I also remember well that I did as best I could at the time. (That goes for the present as well.)
Looking forward or looking back, and not being able to see clearly either way, experiencing both a lot of bad things and a lot of good things, that's the image I have of "youth." How about all of you?

T/N: The kanji used to write 'ao haru' (青春) are read 'ao' and 'haru' separately ('blue' and 'spring') but 'seishun' ('youth') as a compound word. The meaning therefore is 'youth ride'

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新連載!
時が変えた君と私。
これから君と新しい場所へ駆けていくんだ。
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表とみつけるフラノニューデイズ
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The second door on the left is the Towel Sheets clubroom.

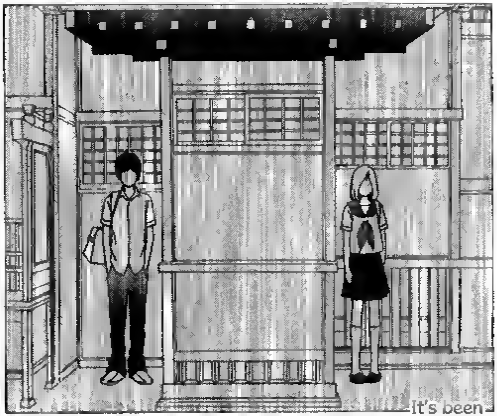
I talked about this in my previous work, "Strobe Edge" a million times as well, but refusing to learn from experience, I'm still recruiting members for the Towel Sheets Club! The Towel Sheets Club is a club specifically created for peaceful people who overflow with love for towel sheets. Well, I say that, but actually it's not like we gather to do things or anything, basically, any club activities are private. Anyway I love towel sheets. If I don't have a towel sheet around when going to sleep, I can't calm down. Actually, I want to be wrapped up in one at all times, even when I'm awake. Anyway, those who entered are awesome. There are lots of like-minded people across the whole country, you know, and this fabulous club proves it. When I first ventured out to recruit members, I thought like, well, there has to be a few here and there who'd be interested, right? But never would I have guessed there to be this many! The amount of towel sheet worshippers completely blows me away. It's true, they exist! And they're many! Whee! So to all of you who's been desperately defending your towel sheets to this day, despite being told things like, "Would you throw that filthy thing away already!" or "No one else could ever be this weird!" by your parents, congratulations. You have lots of comrades! From this day on, let us triumphantly insist, "There are many others out there!" and see if that works out. And if not, then... then what, I wonder? Well, in any case, the Towel Sheets Club is still going strong! And of course newcomers are also welcomed with enthusiasm!

Towel Sheets Club Head Sakisaka Io

T/N: Towel sheets - タオルケット(toorukeitto) - is a word mined from the English words "towel" and "blanket" and is according to its dictionary entry "a type of bed linen resembling a large beach towel and used to cover oneself in hot weather."

Tanaka-kun moved during the summer of my first year in middle school,

before I could tell him how I felt



it's been three years since then.

Even now, he exists within some corner of my heart,

and there are times when I dream...

...of returning to those days

GOOD MORNING, FUTABA.

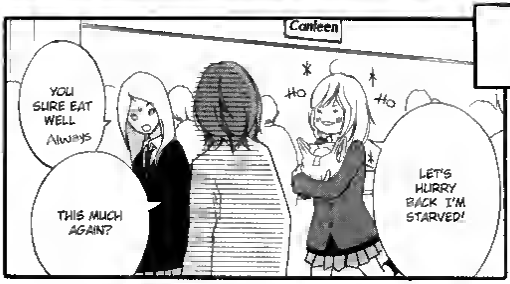
Yoshioka Futaba...
At the moment, I'm peacefully
approaching the third semester of my first year in high school.
HEY,
'MORNING, CHIE-CHAN.
HERE, THE BOOK YOU LENT ME
Thanks.
OH, RIGHT.
CRAM

AS USUAL, YOUR BAG'S A MESS
AS A GIRL, YOU SHOULD PAY MORE ATTENTION TO APPEARANCES.
AHAHA.
I act like this because I do pay attention to appearances!
Scarf
roll roll
Getting silly advice like that is tough on me.
Sometimes I think your bag might have four dimensions
PUSH
Oh, sumi. Good morning.
UNLIKE THAT ONE OVER THERE.
THIS SIDE OF HER MAKES FUTABA INTERESTING, SO THERE'S NO NEED FOR CHANGE.
WHAT'RE YOU SAYING!

Morning, Makita
-Good morning-
JUST LOOK AT THAT! THAT UPWARD GLANCE!!
Disgusting.
YEAH, MAKITA YUURI ACTS REALLY CUTESY
WHY DO GUYS LIKE THAT, REALLY
IF YOU LOOK AT HER FACE PROPERLY, SHE ISN'T EVEN ALL THAT CUTE
IT'S JUST THE ATMOS-PHERE RIGHT THE ATMOS-PHERE
YOU'RE LOOKING REALLY EVIL RIGHT NOW
She must have a strong heart
being isolated like this
she doesn't seem to mind
But

Me? I'm not at all okay with being alone.
Everything was fine during my first year of middle school...
HEY, ISN'T YOSHIOKA PRETTY?
YEAH, SHE'S CUTE
AND REALLY CALM AS WELL
But in my second year, it started getting noisy around me...
THE REST OF THE GIRLS SHOULD REALLY FOLLOW HER EXAMPLE!
I KNOW, RIGHT! THEY'RE ALWAYS SQUEALING AT WHATEVER IT'S SO ANNOYING
And then all of a sudden,
FUTABA PUTS ON THE CUTESY ACT AROUND BOYS RIGHT
YEAH SHE PISSES ME OFF!
I was alone.

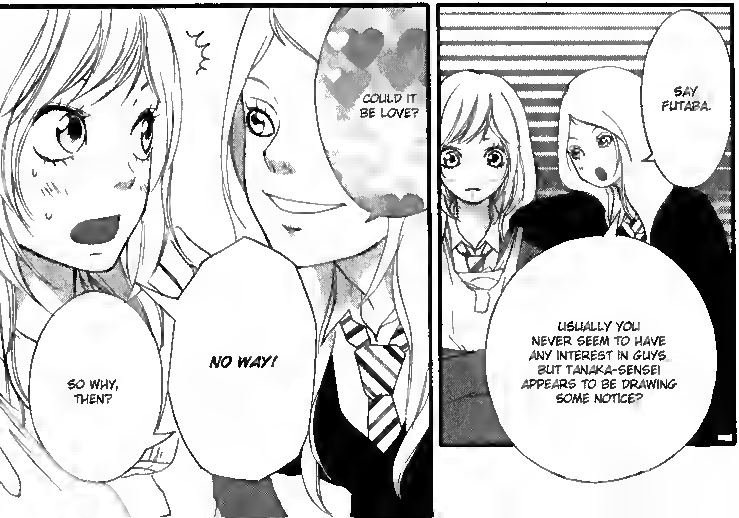
I'd let the chance to reset everything in high school slip away.
there was no way
It stayed that way until graduation.
So obviously,



That's the story behind the creation of a brand new me.

TANAKA!
TAKING SHELTER FROM THE RAIN WITH TANAKA-KUN
I was the happiest during my first year of middle school
If I think back on it now,

Attach a sensei to that would you?
Oh gimme
Hey Sensei, wasn't there a lot to do in English today?
And we have to finish by tomorrow? Isn't that cruel?
Hey Want some Frisk?
Come on that was nothing!
Get it done okay?


SAY FUTABA.
USUALLY YOU NEVER SEEM TO HAVE ANY INTEREST IN GUYS, BUT TANAKA-SENSEI APPEARS TO BE DRAWING SOME NOTICE?
COULD IT BE LOVE?
NO WAY!
SO WHY, THEN?

YOU'VE BEEN IN LOVE?!
W-WELL... YEAH...
WHAT WAS HE LIKE? YOUR FIRST LOVE!
...PROBABLY...
BECAUSE HE HAS THE SAME SURNAME AS MY FIRST LOVE
HUH?
WHAT HE WAS LIKE...
HE WAS PRETTY SHORT AND RESERVED, I GUESS...?
HOW ABOUT HIS FACE?
Does he look like anyone?
UHM, HIS FACE
glance
That's right,
I feel like Tanaka-sensei sort of resembles Tanaka-kun in appearance as well
Oops ate them already
Wait that's TOO much, give some back
..Or that might just be my imagination.
I'M STRETCHING IT

HEY... ISN'T YOSHIOKA FROM CLASS TWO REALLY CUTE?
OH, YEAH BUT YOSHIOKA...
WHA... STOP WITH THE WEIRD!
Reacting to Tanaka-sensei's name,
and even finding a resemblance in him,
probably only proves that I can't forget about Tanaka-kun
Even though
he's not here anymore.
Look as much as you want!
GOBBLE
Check *this* out!
You're eating while talking?!
I'M SO HUNGRY, I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE!
WAIT, WHAT ARE YOU DOING NOW?
AH... I GUESS NOT HUH...
RIGHT?
HEY DID YOU HEAR THAT JUST NOW?

IF YOU'D JUST BE A BIT CAREFUL AND ACT MORE LIKE A GIRL
YOU'D DEFINITELY BE POPULAR
HUH?! LIKE I CARE!
They're the main source of my troubles
I GENERALLY DISLIKE GUYS ANYWAY
WOAH WHAT AN UNHEALTHY THING TO SAY
AS LONG AS I HAVE YOU GUYS TO HANG OUT WITH I COULD CARE LESS ABOUT
BO-
BUMP
AH
DROP

Nice catch
grab
SORRY
Hm?
Huh?
This guy
WHAT A PLAIN LUNCH

TANAKA-KUN...?
Where did that thought come from?
He was nothing like him...
His voice,
and his height,
are both completely different.
YOU OKAY?
WE'RE GOING, YOU KNOW?
But
something's kicking up a fuss
in my chest
...I FORGOT TO BUY SOMETHING

Even though his voice,
and his height,
SORRY, GO AHEAD OF ME
HUH?! YOU STILL HAVE MORE TO BUY?
BUT I DON'T USUALLY PAY MUCH ATTENTION TO BOYS' FACES
Why did I think of Tanaka-kun?
I SHOULD HAVE TAKEN A BETTER LOOK AT HIS FACE
are nothing alike...

TA-
AH
MABUCHI!

thump
Eh... "Mabuchi"?
YOU HEADED TO THE CANTEEN NOW?
SAME HERE
I feel like
his face is similar
but..
"Mabuchi"?
IT'S NOT HIM.
I GUESS I'M JUST IMAGINING THINGS AGAIN

Ah.
MAKITA-SAN
Our eyes met
THANK GOD I DIDN'T CALL OUT TO HIM
TODAY'S WARM, SO I'M FINE OUT HERE
smile
BUT THANK YOU
I really think..
IF I JUST KEEP WALKING NOW, IT MIGHT BE A BIT... YEAH...
AREN'T YOU COLD?
WHY DON'T YOU EAT IN THE CLASSROOM INSTEAD?

Well,
it's not like I don't know
why they feel that way, but
That's a lot of bread.
that this girl is just plain cute...
It's just the atmosphere right the atmosphere
If you look at her face properly she isn t even all that cute
"Even if we ignore her"
"Futaba? She isn't really as cute as they say is she?"
"It s just that boys like the obedient type right? As the idiots they are
"the boys will still be happy to spend time with her right?

SHE'S FINE WHATEVER HER SURROUNDINGS THINK OF HER.
TO BE HONEST,
I WANT TO HANG OUT WITH PEOPLE LIKE THIS, BUT IT DOESN'T FIT MY CURRENT CHARACTER.
And I really like this too but
is top priority!
Getting along with the girls
OOPS.
I'M GOING BACK, OKAY?
YEAH.
I just ...
.. don't want to feel like that again.
TO PUT IT BLUNTLY.
WOMEN

AH, YEAH! THAT MIGHT BE SORT OF TRUE
THE ONLY REASON WE CAN HANG OUT WITH HER LIKE THIS, REALLY, IS BECAUSE SHE SO COMPLETELY LACKS FEMININITY
FUTABA, RIGHT
AH
AH
'DANGEROUS'
SO IF SHE WAS GIRLY AS WELL SHE'D PROBABLY PISS ME OFF
SHE'S GOT A CUTE FACE
Well done, Self!
You see?
You see?!
I was right!

SORRY...
AH,
FUTABA!
HEY
IF YOU'RE DONE NOW, COULD YOU GET OUT OF THE WAY?
AHAHA, IT'S FINE!
I MEAN, THERE'S NO WAY I COULD BE FEMININE ANYWAY
D...
DID YOU HAPPEN TO HEAR US TALKING JUST NOW?
Phew
YOUR STRAIGHT-FORWARDNESS IS A REALLY GOOD SIDE TO YOU YOU KNOW
RIGHT, RIGHT!

You're noisy
Stare
JUMP
WOOSH ★
STEP
STEP
STEP
STEP
STEP
CLASS 1'S MURAO SHUUKO IS...
KINDA SCARY ISN'T SHE?
SHE'S REALLY INTENSE, YEAH
Murao-san...
Another lone wolf.
WHO'S OKAY WITH BEING ALONE
I DON'T THINK I CAN EVER UNDERSTAND SOMEONE

COME TO THINK OF IT...
THAT FAKE TANAKA-KUN I SAW TODAY
beep
SPO

When our eyes met,
he smirked at me, didn't he.

so he's also a first year...
The rubber colour of his indoor shoes was blue,
WHY WOULD I THINK HE WAS TANAKA-KUN?
BUT SERIOUSLY WHY THOUGH?

AH!
HE TURNED AROUND
SHIT
IT'S NOT LIKE I'M FOLLOWING YOU OR ANYTHING!
I JUST LIVE AROUND HERE THAT'S ALL!
...
si—lence
NO ONE EVER ACCUSED ME OF FOLLOWING HIM

...
REALLY, I'M NOT FOLLOWING HIM
I LIVE THIS WAY AS WELL
Huh?
..Hm?
He lives in the same neighbour-hood as me?
Wait.
Huh?
Then, he really is...

This shrine is
where we took shelter from the rain together.
It's pouring all of a sudden, huh.
He is!
He really is!!

He is!!
...TA-
TANAKA-KUN?

...
I'M MABUCHI, THOUGH
I'M SORRY
I THOUGHT YOU WERE SOMEONE ELSE!
Ahh...
GAH, I WENT AND DID IT?!
Um...
Ah...

IT'S POURING ALL OF A SUDDEN, HUH

IT'S NOT TANAKA-KUN ANYMORE THOUGH
YOU REALLY ARE TANAKA-KUN, AREN'T YOU
IT'S MARUCHI KOU NOW
MY PARENTS DIVORCED AND ALL, YOU SEE
SO MY NAME CHANGED

His voice,
his height,
but still,
and his name have all changed,
The person in front of me right now,
is the first boy I ever liked
REALLY, THOUGH...
YOU DIDN'T NOTICE ME AT ALL UNTIL NOW
I WAS STARTING TO WONDER IF YOU'D EVER RECOGNIZE ME, YOU KNOW? IT TOOK YOU THIS LONG!
THAT CRACKS ME UP.
Hm?

THIS GUY...
...IS TANAKA-KUN, RIGHT...?
Was this what he was like?
I KNEW IT WAS YOU RIGHT AWAY, EVEN THOUGH YOU'VE TURNED OUT AS YOU HAVE.
YOU USED TO SEEM PRETTY TAME... REALLY CHANGED HAVEN'T YOU?
What?
TH...THEN YOU COULD HAVE JUST TALKED TO ME, COULDN'T YOU!
AND ANYWAY, TANAKA-KUN, HAVEN'T YOU CHANGED COMPLETELY YOURSELF?!
I'M TELLING YOU, IT'S NOT "TANAKA-KUN"
IT'S MABUCHI, ALL RIGHT?

WELL,
ANYWAY
Excuse me, but who are you?
I'm not really one to talk, but...!
Scary
SHOULD WE HAVE A REUNION HUG, OR SOMETHING?
C'MERE...

I GUESS NOT, HUH
YOU HATE BOYS AND ALL, RIGHT, SINCE A LONG TIME AGO
SEEMS THAT HASN'T CHANGED
WE SHOULD NOT! I'D NEVER!!
Do not say "cimere".
YEAH.
I'VE HATED BOYS...
...FOR A LONG TIME.
"I really hate boys!!"
Ah...

BUT,
YOU WERE DIFFERENT
I've always wanted to say this
My voice is trembling.
Just like it did...
...at the happiest time of my life...
UH
WHAT
I SEE
YEAH
SAME HERE

I LIKED YOU TOO
We can go back.
To happier days.

THERE'S NO WAY BACK ANYMORE, THOUGH
I'VE CHANGED SINCE THEN
AND SO HAVE YOU.
THIS IS STUFF OF THE PAST.

My new characters... I'm still a way away from getting used to drawing them, so drawing this first volume took excessively long. When I have to hurry to keep up with the schedule, I sometimes feel nothing but hatred for them, so I'm currently in the middle of a hard struggle to get closer with them all! Additionally, there's an unusual amount of characters with black hair. Drawing it nice and shiny takes more time than I thought... Hateful! Hateful! You thieves of time!! Forcing so much time and effort out of me...!

You'd better be loved by the readers, at least. And with that said, Dear Readers, I leave these kids to your kind care!

Canteen
THIS,
AND THIS.
AND THIS
At least that's the feeling I get.
WOAHH, THAT'S LOT
Tanaka-kun!
Surprised meee
IS THERE SOMETHING WRONG WITH THAT?
!
I know, right? This load turns you off, doesn't it?
Heh, heh

I take it back. I take it back.
WOAH I'M DESPICABLE
I'm just pretending to be a glutton to seem less feminine...
...is what I kind of want to tell him
Auntie over here too
EXCUSE ME, I'D LIKE THESE, PLEASE
YEEES
Yes yes
OH, I'M FINE WITHOUT THE PLASTIC BAGS, THEN.
OH, REALLY?
THEN THAT'S 430 YEN
SORRY, HOLD ON A SEC. WE'RE OUT OF PLASTIC BAGS.
I'LL GO GET NEW ONES FROM THE BOX.
YES,
THAT'S RIGHT.
Hey, this is well

WHERE'S CHIE-CHAN AND ASUMI?
LET'S SEE
WHA... I JUST DID, THOUGH
YOU HAVEN'T PAID FOR THOSE YET, HAVE YOU?
HOLD ON
YES?
DON'T LIE TO ME
YOU CLEARLY DON'T HAVE PLASTIC BAGS ON THOSE
OH? FUTABA.

ASUMI,
CHIE-CHAN
FUTABA?
THAT'S BECAUSE...
THIS HAPPENS ALL THE TIME LATELY! IT'S WRONG, YOU KNOW?!
WAIT, FUTABA, WHAT'RE YOU DOING? THAT'S REALLY BAD...
WHAT?
DON'T TRY TO LEAVE WITHOUT PAYING...
Wel...
THERE'S NO WAY I'D DO THAT!
IF YOU PAY NOW I WON'T TELL YOUR TEACHERS... OKAY?
BUT I'M TELLING YOU...
SHE PAID ALREADY.

JUST ASK THE LADY OVER THERE
HM? OH... YES, SHE PAID ALREADY
HUH... REALLY NOW IS THAT SO?
WELL
FEEL FREE TO GO THEN
Wha...
Wha...

HEY
THAT'S NOT RIGHT, IS IT?
APOLOGIZE, OLD HAG.
APOLOGIZE
OLD HAG ?
YOU MADE THE MISTAKE RIGHT?
...
...
I'M SOOO SORRY.

AH
IT'S FINE
OKAY
AH, RIGHT
AH, FUTABA
WAIT UP
WAIT, TANAKA-KUN!

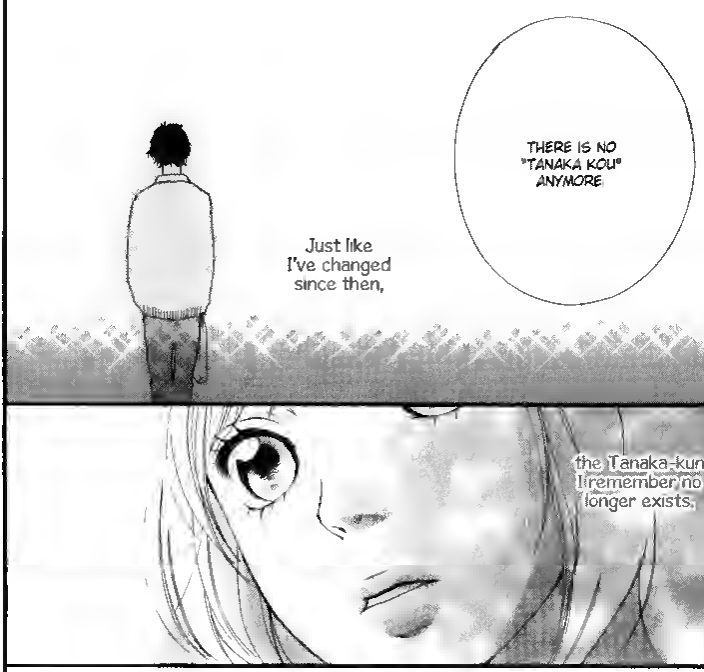
WHAT DO YOU WANT?
NO BIG DEAL
AH...
YEAH. I GOT ANGRY AT FIRST,
NO MATTER HOW YOU LOOK AT IT, SHE WAS ACTING RIDICULOUS
THANK YOU.
IT REALLY SAVED ME, THAT YOU SAW ME PAY
REALLY ANGRY.

BUT SINCE YOU GOT ANGRY ON MY BEHALF,
I FEEL MUCH BETTER
THAT'S ALL IT TAKES?
YOU COME CHEAP
...

YOU CALL THOSE...
"FAKE FRIENDS", RIGHT?
THAT'S WHY YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH YOUR FRIENDS AS WELL...
...IS REALLY WEAK
PATHETIC
...
...
fake friends.

IT MIGHT LOOK PATHETIC TO YOU,
BUT THEY'RE VITAL TO ME.
HUH? IT'S NOT LIKE I CARE
IT'S NONE OF MY BUSINESS, ANYWAY.
WHATEVER MAKES YOU HAPPY?
First he helps me out,
then he coldly steps back.
I don't get it.

Is he really Tanaka-kun?
OH
I'M MABUCHI
ONE MORE THING



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...way back anymore.

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「田中くん」――

まだに残像が
今の気持ちを変えていく――。

アオハライド

AORU

RIDE

PAGE 2

YAKINAKA O

咲坂伊緒

NOW ON SALE

MC「ストロボ・エッジ」全10巻
小説「ストロボ・エッジ」1～3巻（以下続刊、コバルト文庫より）

I start feeling uneasy from time to time when I'm drawing, and whenever I do, I end up doing what I know I shouldn't, and ask a bunch of people for their opinions. No two opinion is ever the same, so every time this happens, I think, "Oh, right, this is how it is." There is no absolutely correct answer. I know this so well, but I still end up asking around whenever I *feel* unsure. And then, after collecting lots of different views, I'm more lost than ever. There's obviously no point in doing it, when that's the only result. It may be important to listen to different people's opinions, but if I try out all those different ways of thinking and doing things, and it doesn't work out for me, I try not to get depressed and think like, "Why can't I do this!!" Instead, I think I have to think that it simply doesn't fit my style.

Later, if I *feel* unsure again and get really lost, I'll only speak to Tantou-san*. Right, that's what I'll do. (I guess Tantou-san's burden will grow larger. But if she'll just kindly ignore everything I say, I feel like that'll be enough to calm me down. So please help me, Tantou-san, I'm in your care.) Anyway, this is the situation. I'm hoping to grow at least a little bit stronger, together with Futaba and everyone. I actually think I'm fundamentally a strong person though, so please don't worry about me. And even though I'm like this, please continue to be good to me from now on as well!!

*T/N: the person in charge of her manga and stuff

A LUNCHBOX AGAIN, HUH?
YUP
GULP
GULP
I DON'T FEEL LIKE GOING TO THE CANTEEN
YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THAT WOMAN, RIGHT? DON'T YOU THINK SHE'S FORGOTTEN YOUR FACE BY NOW?
AH!
THAT GUY WHO HELPED YOU OUT
THAT REMINDS ME...

Tragic...
HE MUST HAVE STUDIED UNTIL HE FORGOT ALL ABOUT KINDNESS...
Bleh.
Huh? It's not like I care
Finding out, after finally meeting him again,
that my first love has become utterly heartless
It's none of my business, anyway
Futaba's inner-mind theater
ADVANCED?!
SEEMS HE'S FROM THE ADVANCED CLASS.
THEIR CLASS IS ON A DIFFERENT FLOOR RIGHT?
HE DID LOOK KIND OF UNFAMILIAR...
Absolutely shocking.
There's definitely no going back anymore.
WHATEVER, AT LEAST ASUMI AND CHIE-CHAN ARE HERE FOR ME

sorry.
Ahahaha!
ANYWAY, YOU WERE REALLY LUCKY HE HAPPENED TO SEE YOU PAY!
YOU GUYS EVEN DOUBTED ME AT FIRST...
IT'S NOTHING TO LAUGH ABOUT!
Heh heh heh
Pathetic
AH!
"Fake friends"

WOSH
WOSH
WOSH
Ugh, leave me, leave me
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
DON'T WAVE YOUR CHOPSTICKS AROUND
BY THE WAY, DID YOU KNOW HIM ALREADY?
KIND OF SEEMED LIKE IT...
AHH...

I missed the chance...
...to tell them he was my first love...
OH, ASUMI, HOW WAS THE MIXER THE OTHER DAY?
...
MEH, SO-SO, I GUESS.
WE WERE IN THE SAME SCHOOL A LITTLE IN MIDDLE SCHOOL, BUT HE TRANSFERRED OUT PRETTY QUICKLY.
.....
YEAH...
OHH...
Or rather, I...
...How should I put it
wosh
wosh
wosh
Would you stop that already
OH, MAKITA
Vanish, I tell you!
PFFt
Fake friends!

OUTSIDE... WITH FRIENDS FROM OTHER CLASSES.
REALLY? DON'T YOU GET COLD?
WHERE DO YOU ALWAYS GO?
YOU'RE EATING SOMEWHERE ELSE AGAIN?
IT FEELS LIKE A PICNIC SO IT'S FUN
UHEEE
CHOMP CHOMP
IT'S NOT TOO BAD...
SHIT, MAKITA IS SOOO CUTE
HER PRESENCE IS PRACTICALLY HEALING, RIGHT?
Did you see that tiny lunchbox?!
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE MAKITA YUURI
SHE COULD NEVER GET ALONG WITH US
She Pisses me OFF
WHY CAN'T GUYS SEE THROUGH THE CUTE ACT...?
Their view of Women is so Idealized

SLIDE
HEY, WHOEVER'S ON DUTY TODAY
I'M RETURNING THE NOTEBOOKS YOU HANDED IN THE OTHER DAY,
SO COME TO THE STAFF ROOM AND GET THEM DURING BREAK. OKAY?
Day duty: Yoshida
UGH, THAT'S ME, ISN'T IT.
What a pain.
HEY
MY-MY, GOOD LUCK WITH THAT.
SORRY, WE EAT SO SLOWLY...
SEE YOU
SO YOU WON'T COME WITH ME
It's fine, it's fine.
I wouldn't be hoping for something like that now, anyway
AS LONG AS I DON'T END UP ALONE ANYTHING'S FINE

Until a while ago, I couldn't listen to music while working at all, but lately I've felt like I've become able to. I can even wear headphones. Although when I concentrate, I end up not hearing the sound at all. Then, when I start reaching my working limit, I start hearing the sound a little again, and then when I'm really near my limit, it's just plain noisy. It's funny, really. I feel like I'm zoning in and out of the world, and it's really very interesting. The powers of concentration are amusing, you know?

NO WAY!
IT'S FREEZING TODAY!
FUFU
OH, THAT'S RIGHT
I'M GIVING YOU THIS
HUH...?
YOU WERE FIDDLING WITH MINE THE OTHER DAY. SO I FIGURED YOU MIGHT LIKE IT A BIT
UH... BUT...

Her hands are ice cold
Th..
THANK YOU
Woah ..
I HAVE TWO, SO I'LL GIVE YOU ONE
THIS WAS A FREEBIE THAT CAME WITH A FABRIC SOFTENER.
EVEN THOUGH EVERYONE THINKS I'M ANNOYING...
And wasn't she supposed to eat with friends from other classes today?
... I MEAN, I KNOW THAT I ACT CUTESY, IT'S JUST THAT...!
THANK YOU,
FOR TALKING TO ME TODAY AND THE OTHER DAY.
JUST THAT, I GET SO NERVOUS AROUND GUYS, THAT I ALWAYS END UP SLIPPING INTO THE CUTE ACT.
I get all self-conscious

THE REASON WHY EVERYONE ELSE TRY TO DRESS FASHIONABLY AND PUT ON MAKE-UP AND SO ON,
IS BECAUSE THEY WANT TO LOOK GOOD TO OTHER PEOPLE, RIGHT?
MM I HAVE NO SUCH WANT THOUGH...
I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANYTHING WRONG...
...WITH WANTING BOYS TO THINK THAT I'M CUTE, THOUGH
UH?!
RATHER THAN SIMPLY WANTING TO LOOK GOOD IN FRONT OF PEOPLE IN GENERAL,
WANTING TO LOOK GOOD ONLY IN FRONT OF GUYS IS WHAT'S KIND OF... LIKE, YOU KNOW...
HOW IS THAT SO DIFFERENT FROM ME ACTING CUTESY?
WELL...
...

And I only want to look good in front of the girls
HUH?! I'M THE SAME
YEAH...
WELL PEOPLE HAVE DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES RIGHT?
THAT'S WHY I DON'T INTEND TO DENY ANYONE...
THEIR RIGHT TO FEEL ANNOYED WITH ME
INSTEAD,
I JUST WANT TO BE MYSELF HOW I LIKE MYSELF TO BE
She lives as her true self...
...
like it's easy.
BUT STILL...

THAT DOESN'T NECESSARILY MEAN SHE LIKES BEING ALONE
THANKS FOR THIS.
IN RETURN FOR THE BUNNY STRAP
It's a bit dull in comparison though.
HERE
IT'S A POCKET HEATER.
...
Staff room
HEY, ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME?
HM
I SEE... I GUESS I BASICALLY
DO THE OPPOSITE OF THE CUTE ACT?

YEAH, YEAH, I'M LISTENING
I TOLD YOU, RIGHT? YOU'RE IN TROUBLE UNLESS YOU MAKE A PROPER COME-BACK BY THE END OF THE TERM
WHAT EXACTLY ARE YOU DOING TO GET THESE TEST SCORES?
TANAKA-KUN AND TANAKA-SENSEI
Glance
Glance
If my memory serves me right, Tanaka-sensei is the teacher in charge of the advanced class
WHAT'RE YOU LOOKING AT?
SHOCK

I'M SORRY
YOSHIOKA, WOULD YOU PLEASE ENTER QUIETLY?
Tok
I WASN'T LOOKING!
(I-I WAS THOUGH.)
AH.
I SHOULD HAVE LEFT THE DOOR OPEN...
OH WELL, BEING A CRUDE GIRL AND ALL
Let's use the leg!
SLIDE

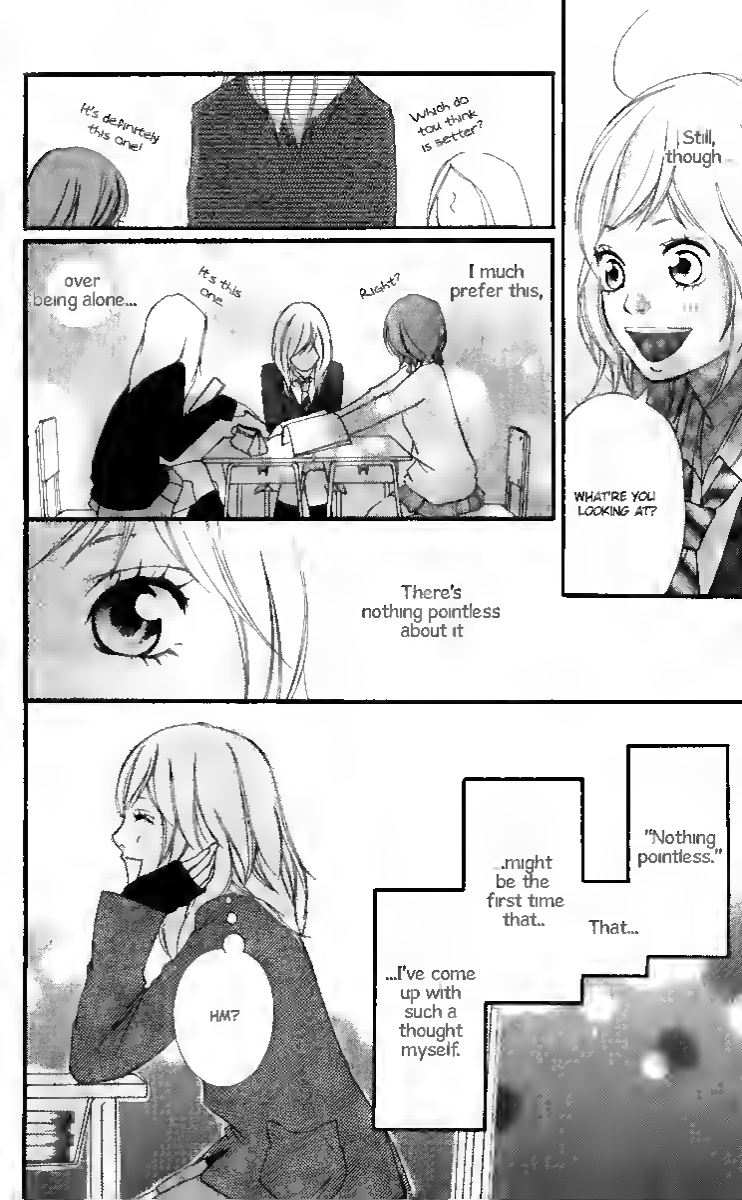
LOOKS LIKE A TOUGH LOAD ON A SINGLE PERSON.
Your leg hurt?
Hm?
DON'T WANNA.
I'm not going upstairs.
YOUR SO-CALLED FRIENDS WON'T HELP YOU OUT WITH THINGS LIKE THESE?
KOU!
...SINCE YOU THINK IT LOOKS SO TOUGH ON ME, WILL YOU HELP ME OUT?

SEE YA.
WHAT, YOU REALLY WON'T HELP ME
So annoying.
What a jerk!
GEEZ
step step step
SORRY DON'T MIND HIM
WHY IS TANAKA-SENSEI APOLOGIZING -?
OH I'M IN CLASS 2.
I'LL HELP YOU INSTEAD WHAT CLASS?
IT'S COLD OUTSIDE SO LET'S TAKE THE STAIRS INSIDE?
YES
Thank you very much.

YOU A FRIEND OF KOU'S?
AH...
OH, I SEE!
WE WENT TO THE SAME MIDDLE SCHOOL...
JUST FOR A LITTLE WHILE, THOUGH
I GOT SOR...
HE SEEMS HAPPY ABOUT IT...
By the way that's some serious bedhair
BLUSH

HE'S LIKE THAT, BUT PLEASE DO BE GOOD FRIENDS WITH HIM, OKAY?
You saw how he was just now, didn't you!
DON'T MAKE IMPOSSIBLE REQUESTS!
Woah..
There really is a resemblance.
Haha!
No, hold it! Cease this search of the former Tanaka-kun!
WELL THEN

WHAT A GOOD TEACHER...
WILL THIS DO?
I'M HEADED TO THE NEXT FLOOR.
OH, YES, THANK YOU VERY MUCH
WELCOME BACK FUTABA
MM.
YOU TOOK PRETTY LONG
GOOD JOB
Your so called friends "
Hehehe which one?
This one this one


Still, though
WHAT'RE YOU LOOKING AT?
It's definitely this one!
Which do you think is better?
I much prefer this,
over being alone...
It's this one
Right?
There's nothing pointless about it
"Nothing pointless."
That...
..might be the first time that..
...I've come up with such a thought myself.
HM?

That's the only reason it's on my mind
HM?
WHAT'S THAT IN YOUR POCKET?
OH, THIS?
It's just because I heard it from someone who knew my old self
NO
WRONG, WRONG
IS THAT IT?
Could Tanaka-kun
have opened the lid, on some bottled up feelings?

I GOT IT FROM MAKITA-SAN.
WHAT, NO WAY!
YOU GET ALONG WITH THAT TYPE NOW?
SHE WAS EATING LUNCH ALL ALONE
SO SHE WASN'T REALLY EATING WITH FRIENDS!
ARE YOU KIDDING ME THAT'S TOO FUNNY!
WELL, SHE LOOKS HAPPY BY HERSELF.
Thank you for talking to me
She's totally shameless though
Hahaha!

HUH...? WHAT? WHAT'S UP WITH YOU, FUTABA?
IT'S FINE! IF SHE DOESN'T WANT TO BE ALONE,
SHE CAN JUST GO HANG OUT WITH THE GUYS
I WONDER IF THAT'S REALLY THE CASE
THEY'LL BE HAPPY TO LOOK AFTER HER, SO DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT
The boys will look after her anyway."

ANYWAY THE WAY SHE CHANGES HER ATTITUDE WHEN SHE'S AROUND GUYS IS JUST TOO SLY!
..
YOU CALL HER SLY, BUT...
YOU YOURSELVES ALSO...
WANT THE GUYS TO THINK YOU RE CUTE RIGHT?
SO INSTEAD OF SHOOTING INSULTS
CAN'T YOU JUST PUT ON THE CUTE ACT YOURSELVES?
HUUUH?
WE WOULDN'T GO THAT FAR FOR GUYS TO LIKE US WE'RE NOT THAT DESPERATE

THEN YOU COULD HAVE JUST LEFT HER BE,
BUT YOU'RE TOO JEALOUS TO IGNORE HER!
ANYWAY, THAT WASN'T MY POINT I'M JUST SAYING THAT I HATE GIRLS LIKE THAT!
I GUESS INSULTING HER..
...MAKES YOU FEEL LIKE YOU'RE BETTER THAN HER SOMEHOW, BUT ACTUALLY,
YOU REALLY AREN'T ANY BETTER AT ALL!!

Waaay...!!
...No...
...!
...
I said it! Crapcrapcrap...
Eh?
Eh?
JUST KI-...
JU...
-H...

Makita-san!
THE FACT THAT YOU HATE ME...
MEANS THAT...
...I GET UNDER YOUR SKIN, RIGHT?

Just when I went to the trouble of
Wha... what are you saying?!
SERVES YOU RIGHT.
clatter
WHAT THE HELL THIS PISSES ME OFF...

It's all over..
What on earth did I just do?
FUTABA
...
YOUR REAL OPINION OF US HAS BEEN DULY NOTED
...not to end up alone again
I've worked really desperately hard
Until now
Even though that was all I wanted...
What did I just do?

YOSHIOKA-SAN!
I'M JUST TOO STUPID I GUESS
AH, UHM
THANK YOU
FOR STICKING UP FOR ME

RATHER THAN STICKING UP FOR YOU,
I'D SAY I WAS STICKING UP FOR MYSELF
?
DON'T THANK ME
HM?
I'M SORRY FOR GETTING YOU INVOLVED.
IT MADE ME HAPPY, THOUGH.

AHH, SERIOUSLY
Woosh...
WHAT AM I DOING

HAHA!
WHY ARE YOU EATING ALL ALONE?
!
WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR "FRIENDS"?

BECAUSE YOU...
...CALLED THEM "FAKE FRIENDS"!
B-
BECAUSE YOU SAID THAT...
HAH?
SO IT'S MY FAULT?

In my desperation to never end up alone,
IT'S MY OWN FAULT.
NO
I neglected all the basics, like an emotional connection, or mutual trust.
AND OVER-LOOKED THE THINGS THAT ACTUALLY MATTER
I GOT OBSESSED WITH THIS ONE PURPOSE

We never made any actual bonds.

I make nothing but mistakes.

Pathetic..

Drip Drip

IT'S MY OWN FAULT...

LIGHT PEOPLE...

...
GAH!
YOU'RE STILL HERE!
GIRL
People there as well

Don't flirt like that in school!
Waaait—
I guess you're helping me hide my face, but hey!
...Ah.
thump
thump
thump
thump
A faint smell of cologne mixed with...
WELL

..a nostalgic smell
SO BASICALLY, YOU WORKED SO HARD FOR THE SAKE OF THAT ONE THING,
THAT EVERY-THING ELSE FADED OUT, RIGHT?

TA
TANAKA-KUN ARE YOU A NICE GUY
OR A BULLY?
HMM
WHO KNOWS.
I JUST DO WHATEVER I FEEL LIKE DOING AT THE TIME.
ENOUGH ALREADY. STOP CALLING ME TANAKA.
ALSO,

I SEE
It might be hard for him to be called Tanaka
I'M GOING, BYE
But if I call him "Mabuchi",
I feel like the Tanaka-kun I knew will disappear completely,
and it makes me feel lonely
So instead...

KOU!

THEN SHOULD I ATTACH A "-KUN" TO IT?
IS "KOU-KUN" BETTER?
AND SUDDENLY THERE ARE NO HONORIFICS?
WHICHEVER IS FINE. IT HARDLY MATTERS.
DO WHATEVER YOU WANT
GLARE
Uuh... He really is a bit scary

Inside this "Kou",
who didn't forbid me...
.. from using his first name,
I think I'll still end up searching...
...for the Tanaka-kun ..
...that he used to be

Now then, to all of you who've read through the girls' fighting thinking "Ahh, a girl's jealousy is so like this..." or "That's exactly why girls are..." or something, non, non! Actually, I got the lines for Asumi and Chie-chan from listening to certain men talking. They were saying things like, "That one's got a pretty face, that's the only reason their working life's so smooth. If that's all it takes, maybe I should go get plastic surgery..." (and on and on like that), so that was my original source. One tends to say that women especially are like this, but I don't think that's the case. Being a man or being a woman has nothing to do with it, that kind of person is that kind of person, is what I think. I also don't think age has much to do with it. Even when they're all grown up, that kind of person is that kind of person. I worked at a company a long time ago, and I'm telling you--there were a looot of wily middle-aged men.

I must be careful as well. Careful so I don't end up with Asumi-like behaviour in an unguarded moment. Or there might be a higher possibility of ending up like Chie-chan.
Careful, I'll be careful. Yes.

Flood the world with kind people! That's my dream.

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THE SCENT OF AIR AFTER THE RAIN
I SEARCH YOUR PULSE I SAW THE LIGHT

PAGE.3

Since our fight,
I haven't spoken with Asumi and Chie-chan at all
Today is our last day as first years
Make sure to bring everything in your desks home with you today!
CLOSING CEREMONY
...no longer speaks to me unless they have to...
And the rest of the class.

Am I okay with this?
ALL RIGHT, THEN WE'RE DONE!
Stand!
Will I just let it end here...?
ASUMI!
CHIE-CHAN!

Wouldn't that leave me...
WHAT?
UH...
UHM!
I MEANT IT...
...unsatisfied?
I...
I'M SORRY ABOUT THE OTHER DAY...
I THINK I SAID IT IN A BAD WAY
BUT...
I'm scared
I WAS AFRAID YOU'D HATE ME FOR IT
SO I NEVER SPOKE UP BEFORE BUT...
Honestly, telling them this is...

scary
WHAT I TOLD YOU THEN IS WHAT I REALLY THINK.
I GET IT AND ALL, BUT IF THAT'S REALLY YOUR OPINION,
I GUESS YOU KIND OF ANNOY ME
I GET WHERE YOU'RE COMING FROM.
THOUGH IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'RE WRONG OR ANYTHING...

I JUST...
DON'T THINK WE REALLY CLICK
SEE YOU...
AH, ASUMI
WAIT UP
SO YOU COULDN'T MAKE UP?

WHEN WE WERE KIDS, THE TEACHERS WOULD ALWAYS TELL US,
TO "GET ALONG WITH EACH OTHER"
I USED TO THINK THAT WAS ALL THERE WAS TO IT.
I MEAN OF COURSE I STILL THINK IT'S BEST TO GET ALONG,
BUT SOMETIMES THINGS AREN'T THAT SIMPLE RIGHT?
YOSHICKA-SA

Learning things no one teaches you,
and moving forward... makes you stronger
I just understood that
SOMETIMES, YOU JUST HAVE TO LET IT GO!
That's it!
I WISH WE'D TALKED MORE...
I'm definitely stronger now,
than I was then.
ME TOO!
I...

I'm looking for recommendations for things I can use the free pages in the coming "Aoharaido" volumes for! "Do it like this", or questions, whatever you can think of, let me know I might not be able to fulfill every request, but still, I want the free pages to be at least a little bit fun, so please help me out. For that or other letters, send to this address

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I want to talk to Kou
...want to see Kou right now
I REALLY REALLY
That feeling of connecting somehow,
I want to feel it once more

THE ADVANCED CLASS SHOE LOCKERS ARE HERE RIGHT...
DID HE LEAVE ALREADY?
WHO'RE YOU LOOKING FOR?
KOU!
I WAS LOOKING FOR YOU! I REALLY FEEL LIKE TELLING YOU SOMETHING!
WHAT?
DID YOU MAKE UP WITH YOUR FRIENDS?
NOPE IT DIDN'T WORK OUT!
UH...
BUT, YOU KNOW
IT'S NATURAL TO FAIL SOMETIMES, RIGHT?
BUT I'LL JUST START FROM SCRATCH AGAIN!
AND THEN THINGS'LL WORK OUT!

KOU
THAT'S GREAT.
...
Hey ko
-H-
HELLO
YOU'RE THE GIRL FROM THE OTHER DAY.
OH
HONESTLY, I WAS IN THE MIDDLE OF TALKING
WE DID FINISH.
Leave me alone.
NO, I HAD MORE TO SAY.

I WAS GOING TO TELL YOU THAT I'M COMING OVER TO COOK TODAY SO MAKE SURE YOU STAY HOME.
WHAA?
AND I'M STAYING THE NIGHT, OKAY?
Stay
Huh?
He's staying the night?
Are you telling me that two of them are...
I mean, should I be hearing this..?
mutter
mutter
mutter
YOU IDIOT, WHAT ARE YOU IMAGINING?
pinch
MY OLDER BROTHER.
Isn't it obvious?
HUH?

I always figured the only reason I thought they looked alike
was that I couldn't get over "Tanaka-kun"
HAHA!
WE'RE NOT REALLY HIDING IT OR ANYTHING
SO NOT EVERYONE KNOWS HUH
BUT THERE'S NO REASON TO KEEP MENTIONING IT EITHER
But it turns out they're brothers!
Of course they'd look alike!
Imaginary comedy act
ARE YOU TWO DATING?
PISSED
UH...
AS IF!
HUH? ME, WITH THIS GLUTTON?

WEREN'T YOU THE ONE WHO LIKED ME?
EVEN THOUGH YOU TOTALLY LIKED ME IN MIDDLE SCHOOL!
YOU TOLD ME YOU LIKED ME TOO!
AHH... THAT WAS A LIE.
I JUST WENT WITH THE FLOW FOR A BIT.
Whaaat? Come on, our eyes used to meet all the time!
Well yeah, because you kept staring at me.
sway sway
THIS IS STUPID
THINK WHAT YOU WANT. IT DOESN'T MATTER ANYMORE.
AND HE RUNS AWAY!

HA HA HA
AT LEAST YOU GET ALONG WELL... UHM
WHAT-SAN?
I'M YOSHIOKA FUTABA
OHH, A GOOD NAME
FUTABA, HUH
FUTABA...
OOH! FUTABA-SAN!
?
AH!

A TEACHER'S HITTING ON A FEMALE STUDENT!
What that's not it!
I'm not I'm not!

...
MURAO
GASP
YOU'RE NOT COMING TO THE GATHERING TODAY EITHER?
NO.
TODAY'S THE LAST DAY WE'RE IN THIS CLASS, YOU KNOW?
WON'T YOU AT LEAST SHOW UP FOR THE ENDING?

SEE YOU, KOMINATO-KUN
I DON'T REALLY FEEL AN ATTACHMENT TO THIS CLASS.
....
SO YOU AREN'T LIVING WITH TANAKA-SENSEI?
How come?
...WE'RE STUDENT AND TEACHER OF THE SAME SCHOOL, SO... FOR NOW.
THEN DO YOU LIVE ALONE?
NO, MY BROTHER'S THE ONE WHO MOVED OUT.

YOU'VE MOVED BACK INTO YOUR OLD HOUSE, THEN?
...M-M
...JUST ME
YOUR MOTHER TOO?
SO WHY DIDN'T YOU CHANGE YOUR NAME BACK AS-...
ARE YOU DONE? YOU'RE GETTING ON MY NERVES.
THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU, DOES IT?

AREN'T YOU DRAGGING ME INTO IT RIGHT NOW?!
NOTHING TO DO WITH ME ?
N..
THERE, I LET GO OFF YOU. ARE WE DONE NOW?

...Kou
...you're not looking at me,
Why do I feel like...
even though your eyes are turned to mine?

where is your heart?
...
DIDN'T YOU WANT ME TO LET GO OFF YOU?
F▯ FIRST YOU SUDDENLY DISAPPEAR, THEN BAM, YOU'RE BACK AGAIN.
SO STOP GRABBING ONTO ME
OF COURSE THAT LEAVES ME WITH A LOT OF QUESTIONS?!
Right now,

I CAN'T GET MY HEAD AROUND IT ALL AT ONCE!
I TOLD YOU,
IT'S ANNOYING, SO DON'T CRY.

SORRY...
THE SUMMER FESTIVAL...
KOU...?

DID YOU WAIT FOR ME?
IN SANKAKU PARK...
HUH?
I DID

I WAITED FOR AGES
I'M SORRY.
BUT SINCE THE BEGINNING OF SUMMER,
MY FAMILY WAS A MESS,
AND STUFF JUST KEPT HAPPE-NING...
SO I COULDN'T MAKE IT THAT DAY. I'M SORRY.
NO, I STILL PLANNED TO GO.
THAT WAS...
...THOUGHT YOU HATED BOYS, RIGHT.
BE-CAUSE I...

Kou
I'M SORRY ASKING SO MUCH WAS INSENSITIVE
FOR-GET IT.
Thats right.
More than me
Kou's had a lot going on
And yet, I

LET'S HEAD HOME?
YEAH
ENJOY YOUR DINNER TONIGHT
I'M THIS WAY SO
WHAT?
MHM...

DON'T "WHAT?" ME.
TANAKA-SENSEI'S COMING OVER TO COOK FOR YOU, RIGHT?
AH... RIGHT
MY BROTHER'S COMING
AHAHA!
WELL, LATER! BYE-BYE

♪
HE'S STILL A BIT SCARY SOMETIMES
BUT HE TALKED TO ME ABOUT HIMSELF
That makes me happy

Tanak
Mabuchi
...HONESTLY.
YOUR DEAR BROTHER'S WAITING FOR YOU, Y'KNOW.
CREAK
WHERE'D HE GET TO

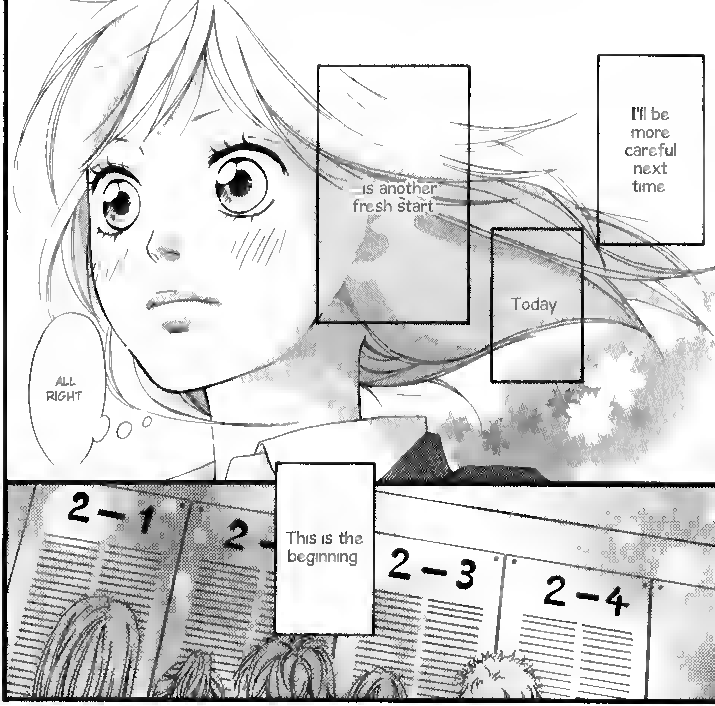
AHH, WILL HE CRY?
KOU...
He fell
CRASH
OH, HE LOOKED AT ME
hee
hee
OOH!
AMAZING, HE'S ENDURING IT
NII-CHAN, IT HURTS!
IT HURTS!
Teary
UHH

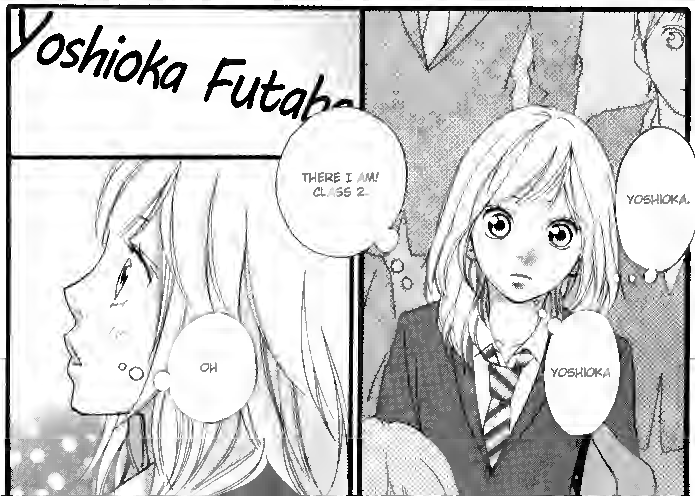
Uh!
blush
...
Yoshioka Futaba
circle
Yoshioka Futaba
circle
circle
WOAH!
WHO'S THAT?
YOSHIOKA FUTABA...

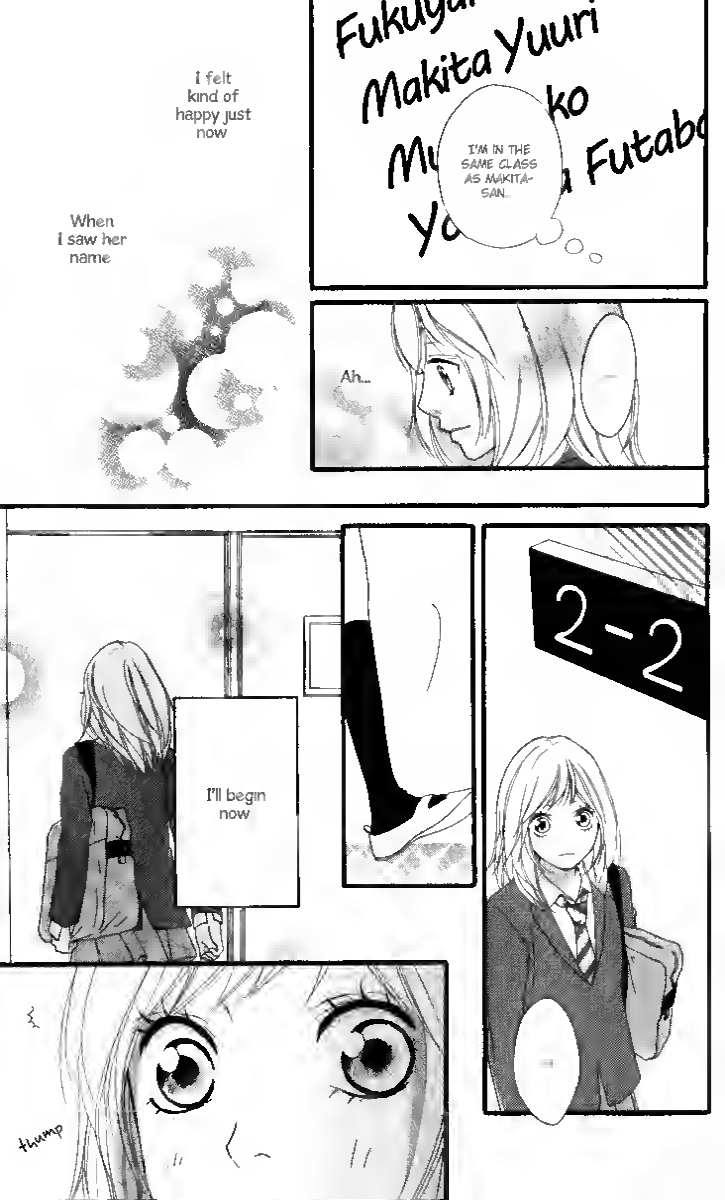
WHAT, IS IT THE GIRL YOU LIKE?!
SHUT UP! GO AWAY, YOU'RE INTERFERING WITH MY STUDIES!
WA!--DON'T JUST LOOK!
YOU WEREN'T STUDYING, THOUGH, WERE YOU?
I WAS!
WHAT SORT OF GIRL IS SHE? YOSHIOKA FUTABA.
AAH. SHUT UP. SHUT UP!
And your clothes are inside out!
Ha ha!
SO THAT WAS YOSHIOKA FUTABA

I'LL KEEP WAITING FOR YOU, YOU KNOW...
FOREVER...
VCC
BIAC

When you lose something
you can just...
...start from scratch and recreate it.


I'll be more careful next time
Today
is another fresh start
ALL RIGHT
2-1
2-3
2-4
This is the beginning


Yoshioka Futab
THERE I AM! CLASS 2.
OH
YOSHIOKA.
YOSHIOKA


I felt kind of happy just now
When I saw her name
Fukuya
Makita Yuuri
I'M IN THE SAME CLASS AS MAKITA-SAN...
Futab
Ah...
2-2
I'll begin now
thump

Murao-san
Her seat is in front of mine
smile
OH MAKITA-SAN
ALL RIGHT!
Jump

MURAO!
WE'RE IN THE SAME CLASS AGAIN!
BE GOOD TO ME, 'KAY!
HELLO
YOU SAID YOU DIDN'T FEEL ANYTHING SPECIAL FOR THE CLASS LAST YEAR,
BUT I DEFINITELY WON'T LET YOU SAY THAT AGAIN THIS YEAR!
NEVER EVER!

WHAT'S THAT ALL ABOUT?
WHAT A HYPER GUY.
Huh... Isn't Kou in the advanced class? Why's he here?
Kou!!

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